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THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED LAST WEEK . . .

The CCU Faculty Team has launched its tour of meetings with hospitals in the AREA V "medical districts." A. Beryl Farfel, MD, chaired the meeting held September 8 which was attended by nine physicians from the following: Lancaster Community Hospital, Antelope Valley Hospital, Monrovia Community Hospital, Pomona Valley Community Hospital, Santa Teresita Hospital, Park Avenue Hospital, Methodist Hospital of So. Calif., Community Hospital of San Gabriel and Glendora Community Hospital.

A second meeting held September 10 and chaired by MILFORD G. WYMAN, MD, DIRECTOR OF AREA V CCU PROGRAM, was attended by five physicians, five nurses and one hospital administrator. The institutions represented were Santa Fe Memorial Hospital, Broadway Hospital, St. Francis, (Lynwood) Downey Community Hospital, Kaiser-Bellflower, and Liberty Hospital.

These meetings are being held to determine potential enrollment of CCU Directors and interest in the AREA V CCU course. JOHN S. LLOYD, Ph.D. (ASST. COORDINATOR - EVALUATION) has been attending these meetings.

On September 18, AREA V was host to the members of the Public Health Commission of Los Angeles County, who requested a presentation and progress report on RMP. The visitors were Claude T. Cook, Ed.D., Chairman, Mrs. Merwin S. Kendis, Vice-Chairman, Maceo Braxton, Sr., M.D., N.N. Reeves, and Marvin E. Tinscher. The Commissioners are appointees of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County. Accompanying the commission were G. A. Heidebreder, M.D., Health Officer for L. A. County (and AREA V ADVISORY MEMBER), M. Rosenblatt, M.D., Medical Deputy, Burceaus, S. B. Soroker, M.D., Medical Deputy, Districts, Charles A. Norris, Administrative Deputy, Harry Klissner, Public Information Officer and Mrs. Betty L. Arche, Recording Secretary.

After some introductory remarks by DR. PETIT, MD, there was a slide presentation about RMP and a report of planning and operational activities by WILLIAM A. MARKEY. JOHN S. LLOYD, Ph.D. talked about evaluation, GLADYS ANCRUM, Dr. PH told about the CCU Program and LEON C. BAUCK described the progress of the Chronic Obstructive Respiratory Disease Program. The Pasadena Emergency Ambulance project was reported by KAY D. FULLER, RN and FRANK AGUILERA commented on the East Los Angeles Program.

Bienvenida Gabriela! Estamos encantados de tenerla con nosotros. (That's for our newest secretary, Gabriela de Hulse, who can take letters in two languages and speaks English with a charming accent.)

FRANK F. AGUILERA (ASST. COORDINATOR - COMMUNITY PROGRAMS) has been elected to the Board of Directors of the East Los Angeles Health Task Force. This organization is composed of community people and serves as a focus point for the community and for agencies and programs. This connection can be helpful in increasing understanding of the efforts of the RMP - East Los Angeles Health Project. The Task Force is funded through the Department of Public Health, State of California.

DOROTHY E. ANDERSON, RN, MPH (AREA V STAFF) attended the Sept. 17 meeting of the Governing Council of Southern California Public Health Assn. as member at large. She has been selected official delegate to the American Public Health Assn. Governing Council Meeting to be held in Philadelphia Nov. 8, 9 and 12 during the APHA Annual Meeting. Dorothy reports that final plans have been made for the SCPHA 42nd Annual Meeting to be held at the Long Beach Elks Club Oct. 24. The program will be on social issues related to health and "Health Care Challenges for the 1970's." All RMP staff and committee members are invited to attend. More later!

KAY D. FULLER, RN, (ASST. COORDINATOR, NURSING) brought back the following items of interest to AREA V from a Sept. 22 meeting of the Nursing Advisory Committee of the TB and Respiratory Disease Association of L. A. County: The Third Annual Nursing Conference will be held Dec. 4 and 5 at the Biltmore. The Council on Tuberculosis and Respiratory Diseases and the California League for Nursing (Unit E) are sponsoring an Inhalation Therapy Workshop which is tentatively scheduled for November 1 at St. Joseph Hospital in Burbank. The TB Assn. scholarship for a nurse to study for a Master's degree in nursing with emphasis on respiratory diseases, has been awarded to Mrs. Gloria Hampton of Holy Cross Hospital.

TONI MOORS and DOROTHY E. ANDERSON both attended one day of "Lung Alert" held September 18 and 19 in Anaheim and sponsored by the Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association of Orange County and the Visiting Nurse Association of Orange County. Toni and Dorothy report that they were impressed by the presentation given by the University of Colorado Medical Center staff. They emphasized the team approach (physician, nurses, physical therapist and social worker) in care of respiratory patients. Special attention was given to the needs of patients in the hospital, home and community, through demonstrations, films, panels and lectures. Approximately 600 people from all parts of California attended.

C A L E N D A R

STAFF MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO SUDDEN CHANGES--PLEASE CHECK WITH OFFICE FOR LATEST INFORMATION
ALL MEETINGS ARE IN CONFERENCE ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

SEPT.			
26	11:30 a.m.	AREA V Committee Chairmen's Meeting	
29	5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	CCRMP Categorical Committee on Cancer	San Francisco
OCT.			
1	9:30 a.m.	AREA V Staff Meeting	
1	12:15 p.m.	AREA V Cancer Planning Committee	
2	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	CCRMP Staff Consultants Meeting	San Francisco
- COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN'S MEETINGS -			
	October 10 24	November 7 21	December 5 19
Next Area Advisory Meeting - November 11			
- SPECIAL MEETINGS -			
	October 18	Symposium on Early Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	
	October 25	RMP - East Los Angeles First Session Community Health	
	November 21	Conference on Community Health Resources - Sportsman's Lodge	

Some visitors to AREA V on September 18 were from the Planning Branch of DRMP, Bethesda: Mr. Roland Peterson, Chief and Mr. Lyman Van Nostrand, who came to discuss a special study of RMP that has been proposed by Dr. Alex Cloner and Dr. Eli Glogow of the Department of Public Administration, USC and Dr. John Beeson of the Department of Community Medicine, USC.

A National Conference is planned for September 27-29 at Warrenton, Virginia, to bring Coordinators, Directors, and Regional Advisory Group Chairmen of RMP together with representatives of the Departments of Health, Education and Welfare and Health Services and Mental Health Administration. Purpose of the Conference is to focus on the major health care issues and to help formulate the role RMP can play with respect to improving health care in this country.

It was a temptation to report above that "the Conference would bring together Coordinators, Directors and RAG Chairmen of RMP with reps of HEW and of HSMHA" . . . but from time to time a shout goes up--usually from newcomers--about the initials and acronyms used in V-MINUTE NEWS. Here's a glossary to make you feel one of the "in group"--

RMP - Regional Medical Programs
 CCRMP - California Committee on RMP
 (official name of the California RMP, headquartered in San Francisco)
 HEW - Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare
 HSMHA - Dept. of Health Services and Mental Health Administration
 (Federal Department to which RMP belongs)
 CCU - Coronary Care Unit
 NIH - National Institutes of Health
 RAG - Regional Advisory Group
 LAC-USC - Los Angeles County - University of Southern California Medical Center.